



UGA College of Engineering Outstanding Graduate Student Teaching Award

The College of Engineering (CENGR) is pleased to announce the availability of the Outstanding Graduate Student Teaching Award. This award recognizes graduate students who have demonstrated exceptional commitment and effectiveness in teaching. The recipient will receive a monetary award of \$500, depending on the availability of funds.

Criteria include but are not limited to:

- Demonstrated excellence in teaching through clear communication, subject mastery, and effective instructional strategies.
- Evidence of creativity in developing course materials, assignments, or instructional approaches that enhance student learning.
- Positive impact on student learning and engagement, as reflected in evaluations, feedback, or testimonials.
- Commitment to fostering a supportive learning environment for all students.
- Contributions to the scholarship of teaching and learning or participation in professional development related to teaching.

Eligibility

- Nominee must be a graduate student (Ph.D. or M.S.) in the College of Engineering.
- Must have served in a significant teaching role for at least one semester, which may include:
 - Instructor of record for a course.
 - Teaching Assistant with substantial teaching responsibilities (e.g., leading labs, or delivering lectures).
- Previous recipients of this award are not eligible.

Nomination Process

- Nominations may be submitted by CENGR faculty or by self-nomination.
- Nominations can be made at [this link](#).
- Nominations will be accepted until 5:00 pm, February 6th, 2026 (Friday).

Upon receipt of nominations, the CENGR Faculty Honorifics Committee will contact nominees to request a dossier of achievements relevant to this award.

Dossier Requirements

Submit as a single PDF (maximum 10 pages, including appendices/letters):

- Cover Letter (1–2 pages) describing teaching philosophy, activities, and impact.
- Summary of teaching responsibilities (courses taught, role, number of students).
- Compilation of student evaluations and comments from at least one semester.
- Letters of support (maximum 3) from faculty or students.
- Supporting documents and appendices. Evidence of instructional innovation or professional development in teaching.
- Dossiers must be submitted by 5:00 PM on February 25, 2026, via the submission link that will be provided later.

Selection and Recognition

- Dossiers will be evaluated by the CENGR Faculty Honorific Committee.
- The recipient will be honored at the CENGR Celebration of Excellence.